

## NOTICE TO ALL TIMBER PURCHASERS

### C-86 HIGH RIDGE STEWARDSHIP CONTRACT WINN R. D.

THIS IS A STEWARDSHIP END-RESULT CONTRACT – A COMBINATION OF TIMBER SALE AND CONTRACTUAL SERVICE WORK

Proposals must be received at the Forest Supervisor's Office, 2500 Shreveport Highway, Pineville, LA by 4:00 P.M. on May 24, 2016. This is a Best Value Offer Contract and award will be based on a combination of price and technical performance.

**LOCATION:** The contract area is located approximately six (6) miles northwest of Georgetown, LA in T10N, R1W, Sections 20 and 21 of Winn Parish and T9N, R1W, Section 9 of Grant Parish.

**INCLUDED TIMBER:** The Contract Area consists of about 257 acres, of which an estimated 173 acres are designated for timber harvesting. The contract contains three (3) timber harvesting Payment Units, where the timber to be removed is designated in either blue or yellow paint. The boundaries of the Payment Units are marked with orange paint.

**LENGTH OF CONTRACT:** The Contract termination date will be **June 30, 2018.**

**FORM AD-3030-FS:** Corporations submitting an offer under this solicitation must include form AD-3030-FS Representations Regarding Felony Conviction and Tax Delinquent Status for Corporate Applicants. The form is located behind Page 5 of the Bid for Advertised Timber.

**EROSION CONTROL:** The Purchaser will be responsible for seeding and fertilizing approximately **3.0** acres to Forest Service specifications. The Purchaser may elect to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Forest Service to have the Erosion Control work performed in exchange for a cooperative deposit in the amount of **\$1,318.11.**

**ROAD MAINTENANCE:** The purchaser will be responsible for making a required deposit (16 U.S.C. 537) in the amount of **\$0.82** per CCF (approximately **\$3,199.78**) for using Forest Service roads to haul timber. Additionally, a cost allowance for Purchaser required road maintenance on secondary roads of approximately **\$300.00** has been made in the appraised value of the timber.

**CONTRACTUAL SERVICE WORK:** Contract clause GT.9 of this contract requires performance of stewardship conservation projects. Contract Clause KT-GT.9 describes the stewardship work to be done, which includes 77 acres of RCW Habitat Enhancement (RCWHE) where all pine less than 5" DBH, all hardwood less than 10" DBH, and all sweetgum are to be felled to lie on the ground as described in contract provision KT-GT.9 (see attached). There are RCW trees present in this area, where operations will be limited to the period outside the RCW nesting season, which is March 1 – June 30. The boundary of the RCWHE area is marked in pink. Proposals must contain a price and a technical proposal for the work (*see section "19 General" of the Prospectus for direction on submitting proposals*). Offerors must be prepared to do all the service work requested.

**BEST VALUE AWARD:** In order to be awarded this contract, the successful offeror must be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) at [www.sam.gov](http://www.sam.gov). This registration will require the offeror to have a DUN and Bradstreet (DUNS) number, which may be acquired online. Offerors must submit a Technical Proposal (*see section "19 General" for direction on submitting a Technical Proposal and a Price Proposal (Bid Forms FS 2400-14BVU)*). The proposals will be

evaluated by a Source Selection Team who will make a recommendation to the Contracting Officer. **The contract will be awarded based on BEST VALUE to the GOVERNMENT, not necessarily the BEST price.**

**STEWARDSHIPS CREDITS:** Contract clause ET.2.2 explains the acquisition and use of stewardship credits. Stewardship credits are earned and established when work described in KT-GT.9 has been performed and accepted. Earned stewardship credits may be used to pay for Included Timber value in excess of Base Rates and Required Deposits.

All interested bidders should investigate the contract area and the sample contract prior to submission of offers, and become familiar with the provisions mentioned above and others which apply to this timber sale contract. Please contact Barbara Poole at the District Office at (318) 628-4664 if you have any questions about this contract.

## **KT-GT.9# - STEWARDSHIP PROJECTS**

### **Project Number 001: RCW Habitat Enhancement (RCWHE)**

In the RCWHE area, sever all hardwood stems below 10.0 inches DBH, all pine stems below 5.0 inches DBH, and all sweetgum trees that are located beyond 50' of any protected stream as shown on the contract map. Protected streams and special areas are identified on the Contract Area Map with the symbol \_\_.\_\_. All trees designated for felling will be completely severed from the stump. All severed trees that lean or lodge on nearby leave trees shall be removed and felled completely to the ground.

Trees that are felled will be cut as close to the ground as practical, but no higher than six inches from ground level on the uphill side of the tree.

Rubber-tired equipment must be used. The entire area shall be treated where equipment can safely maneuver.

Equipment must meet OSHA standards.

Trees designated for felling treatment that occur adjacent to roads, firelines, streamside management zones, exclusion areas, and trails will be felled away from those improvements. Slash that falls in ditches, roadways, or on any of the structures mentioned will be treated under KT-GT.7.

### **Trees or Other Vegetation Not to be Treated –**

Residual trees not designated for removal.

All dogwoods (*Cornus florida*).

Trees located along property boundary marked with red paint, signs, tags, blazes or other survey information.

Boundary markers such as painted trees or flagging that mark unit boundaries, streamside zones, or exclusions and the trees contained within the exclusions.